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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1891.

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1891. [1429]

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE

WE have authorised Mr. JAMES H. COX to sign our Firm Name for prosecution in Hongkong and China.

TURNER & Co.  
Hongkong, 8th December, 1891. [1457]

### NOTICE

THE Undersigned has This Day established himself as AUCTIONEER and GOODS BROKER.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1891. [1454]

### NOTICE

TAI ON SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

I U CHEUK TONG, have this day been appointed GENERAL MANAGER of the above Company.

U. CHEUK TONG,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1891. [1449]

### NOTICE

THE Undersigned has RESUMED CHARGE.

By order of the Board.

N. J. EDW.,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1891. [1466]

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### Masonic.

S. T. JOHN L. O. D. G. E.  
OF HONGKONG,  
No. 618, S.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on MONDAY, the 12th instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brothers are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1891. [1465]

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1891. [1458]

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The Standard is an old and wealthy Scottish

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East, and has acquired a marked character for

sound and liberal management.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 7th December, 1891. [1428]

## Shipping.

### STEAMERS.

#### "UNION" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK (VIA SUEZ CANAL).

THE Steamship

"COLLINGHAM".

Captain Watson, will be despatched, as above

or about the 15th December, instead of as



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qualities to the best advantage. Ockree Light was sighted on the starboard beam at 5 p.m., at which time we encountered several heavy squalls with a little rain. Dodd Island was passed at 10 p.m., and the sea became much smoother as we neared land, so that the passengers were enabled to enjoy a fairly good night's rest that was only pleasantly broken at 12.15 a.m. by the welcome sound of the anchor being dropped in the outer harbour of Amoy, after a smart run of sixteen hours and fifteen minutes, covering one hundred and ninety miles. Sunday was spent quietly and uneventfully, and on Monday the harbour was gallantly decorated—most of the vessels, of which there were many, displaying the Code of Signals, and flying symbols of congratulation to Miss Fenning and Captain Jensen, master of the barque *Sebastian Bach*, who were married at 3.30 p.m. at the Union Church, Kulangsu.

It appears that there has been considerable excitement and apprehension felt in Amoy for some little time owing to a threatened attack of some robbers who, gaudy by a number of Kelao Hwei men, were advancing upon the port from the country. Consuls, aided by the Taotai, managed, however, to intimidate them sufficiently to alter their plans and arrest their further progress, and now all seems quiet again, but a man-of-war would give a sense of security that is now seldom felt by the numerous foreign residents. Although I have spent some of the unhappiest days of my life in Amoy, yet there is something about the place which recommends itself to one's sympathy. Being so reposeful and so quaintly picturesque it awakes my warmest feelings, and in departing I can say again and for the last time—

Farewell, Amoy! In sadness I depart,  
For mid thy rocks repose still my heart!  
My fleeting hours upon thy tranquil shore  
Will be remembered till my days are o'er.

With mild regret.

Farewell! I sequestered nooks and sunny scenes I  
Remember for a moment intervals,  
And, touching Then and Now with kindly rays  
Fast setting in the sky of bygone days

Brings peace of mind.

Farewell! snug harbour, with your old-world ships  
And antiquated sailors from whose lips  
Strange drowsy chaunts I've heard at noon  
And eve

That into melody the wind would weave

The wind and tide.

Farewell, half-hidden homesteads grandly graced  
By Nature's fairest foliage interlaced,  
Where weary eyes and hearts find happy ease  
Beneath huge boulders and overhanging trees  
Near the sea.

Farewell majestic highlands! when the crown  
Of dying Day declines upon a town  
Of unseen flowers; lone groves of wind-swept firs,  
And little quaint lime—hallowed sepulchres  
Watch'd o'er by Death.

Grin sentry, keep your silent watch until  
Above the rugged crest of yonder hill,  
Far Eastward, in the early morning skies  
The everlasting star of Life shall rise

To give you rest.

Great Depth! my wond'ring mind doth often rest  
Upon your silent home, and in the west  
Can picture you alone in calm survey  
Of countless ages, looking far away—

Whence Life shall come.

At eight bells—four o'clock, on the afternoon of November 30th, the *Formosa* again leaves up anchor, bound for Swatow and Hongkong. It is the close of a bright day and the soft rays of twilight, blending in sacred tranquillity with the shades of approaching night, illuminate the western landscape, where the lonely and imposing heights of distant mountains loom up in bold and solitary grandeur amidst the sad, mellow shadows of departing day, and with them, in hazy blueness, disappear in the fading light and leave but the nearer ranges, on the gloomy crest of which some few hoary trees at intervals rear themselves like grim sign-boards on a deserted highway, and, in some places, gather together in exiled companionship and form an avenue where only the soft airs of slight, whisper and sing; and where only the harsh winds of the tempest, wild and complain in a lofty wilderness of silence and death; where the rude forefathers of a bygone generation sleep side by side, at rest; where the great sun, playfully smiles its warmest smiles and lingers in the evening, and below which the tired waves cast themselves upon the shore and sing their old-world melodies for ever and for ever.

It is pleasant to steam leisurely down the harbour, and to meet the lowly fishermen who, from afar, come gliding home over the deep rippling waters as the warm shades of evening flicker on their amber sails. All seem quiet and beautiful such scenes as these can only be appreciated and traced out in natural and lasting beauty by some rare Claude or Turner. But this may never be! And you ancient building to the eastward, nestling beneath the fair-spreading foliage of old verdant trees, with its gabled roof, and yellow well-worn steps, leading to the open door near which those poor Taoist priests are intoning some weird Gregorian chant at eventide, may never, it is respectable and sublimely solemn, decay, be painted at a quaint old seemly relic by the artist of our day, who perchance would pass beneath the shadow of its hunched and rocky head, but never look and see, where the children of another age will likely stand on the broad terrace above, and lean over the moss-grown crenulated balcony in that dear old shady place, watching the great ship come and go for years and years in the days of long futurity.

Below this a small antiquated village, with its glimpses of venerable and fantastic architecture gives a homely appearance to the eastern scene. We now steam swiftly past a gale spot where some few industrious workmen are building a small junk in a sequestered yard near the beach and where the friendly shade of trees covers the skeleton of this infant vessel which will soon sail out to sea and be anxiously watched by the wives and lovers who stand together on the sea-front every morning and evening—and like the good people over land—playfully watch, through calms and storms, the going and coming of the ships that bear their loved ones to and fro on the watery highway of toll and danger. I wonder how long that ancient old junk has been trading between the shores of India and China? Many a year, I should imagine by its venerable aspect, for tufts of grass are now peeping through chinks in the high bulwarks, and the stout Namcoo nests, from which those fast rotting ropes hang idly down, are of russet hue that only age can colour so effectively. And that old white bearded master, sitting up there, near where the stern-light hangs, seems by his resigned look and contemplative mood to know that his final voyage and last watch are likewise over. But he will never for sake the old craft which has carried him safely for many and many a year, and is now again bearing him slowly outward to some other tropical shore.

There is a grateful air of age and decay here that, on the going down of the sun, reminds one sadly and reverently how short is the day of our life and how soon the golden orb hangs, and we shall drift down the last length of the Great River of Years and with the pibb tide of night, float out on the bosom of eternity.

Onward the *Formosa* went at full speed, soon leaving the pretty landscape far behind and

getting into deep waters that were still disturbed by a strong north-east wind; and the recent gale had left a heavy swell that rolled us up to the southward and at times caused the vessel to work considerably. We steered about west by south half south, on which course the Lantauks light was sighted at 12.45 a.m., bearing west by south; and at 04.45 a.m., we passed it at a distance of one and a half miles to the southward, at which time engines were reduced to half speed, and one of Butterfield and Swire boats, which had been for some time following up, steamed past on our starboard side and went ahead at full speed, but only to arrive in Swatow an hour or two after us. Cape Light was sighted right ahead at 2.30 a.m. and at 2 a.m. the Sugar Loaf light bore W. by N. Soon after midnight the wind increased gradually until 4.30 a.m., when it blew a fresh north-east gale with, following sea; sky cloudy and overcast. Then the ship was slowed down until passing the Cape of Good Hope when we again went full speed ahead and at 6.30 a.m. made fast to the buoy in Swatow—this was accomplished in fourteen hours and fifty-five minutes. During the day very little work was carried on board and in the afternoon the third officer and one of the engineers went for some distance up the Han river, in search of game, and returned in the evening with the catch, and next day shipped a large quantity of cargo—chiefly molasses in wooden tubs before proceeding on her way. All being in readiness at 4 p.m. the usual formula of "clearing" was gone through and we were soon speeding onwards for Hongkong where we arrived at 8 a.m. next morning. It is needless to expatiate on the varied and pleasing scenery that encompasses the approach to this harbour—it is already well known.

In conclusion I must heartily thank the Captain and officers of the *Formosa*, who, by their courteous attention and hospitality, have much enhanced the pleasure of the trip from Tamsui to Hongkong.

CHAR. J. H. HALCOMBE.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

To the Editors of the "Hongkong Telegraph":—Sir,—Having seen in your issue of November 28th a paragraph calling attention to a "Terrific Rematch at the head-quarters of the Shanghai Mercantile Marine Officers' Association," I should like to see in some future issue a denial to that paragraph as from beginning to end it is an unmitigated lie, no other epithet being strong enough to condemn such a libel. I am happy to say as President that there *never* has been disagreement enough among the members to cause a "rumpus," and I consider that we have among our members the feeling towards each other, also that amount of respect to the cloth in general, although being "common sailors," not to cause such a disgraceful exhibition as you state. Your informant must be a very Tom Pepper before he could have made up a story of the kind.

Hoping that you will see fit to deny the statement contained in the paragraph, also to publish this letter if you can find space enough in your valuable paper.

I remain, Sir,

Yours faithfully,  
SPENCER WILDE,  
President, Shanghai M. M. O. Ass.  
Shanghai, 6th December, 1891.

We publish the above with pleasure. Our informant, we may add, was a member of the Shanghai Association who lately came from the North, and we are at a loss to comprehend why he should have made such a statement. It is probably a case of the wish being the father of the thought added to a flight of elastic imagination.—ED. H.K.T.]

## A RIDE TO LITTLE TIBET.

BY THE REV. HENRY LANDELL, D.D.,  
M.R.A.S. F.R.G.S.

Though only midway between Macao and Peking, we were now really in China, which, by a very simple process of dichotomy, may be divided into China within, and China beyond, the Wall. Of the eighteen provinces of China proper, I need say little here, while extramural China may be divided into Manchuria, Mongolia, Tibet, and the westernmost portion of the Empire now called Sinkiang, or New Province, consisting of what was formerly known as Sungaria, the portion of Kau-nan of Gobi, and Chinese Turkestan. Sungaria calls for separate mention by reason of the configuration of its surfaces, for here it is that occur the three depressions in the mountain chains that environ the Empire on the west.

Through these depressions, the devastating hosts of Hinghiz Khan advanced westwards, and should a railroad ever be laid from Moscow to Central China, it will be here, probably, that the line will pass from the lowlands of Russia to the highlands of Mongolia.

In Northern Sungaria there are no towns of considerable size. The busiest mart in this part of the country is Chupuchak, or as the Chinese call it, Tarbagatai. Here has been stationed since 1854 a Russian Consul, whom I met at Omsk in that year on his way to Kuldja. Not far from Chupuchak is Durbulin, where the Imperial Government employs also Kalenkai mercenary troops, gathered from those who once had possession of the soil. It is through their hands, who dress like Chinese mandarins, the Kalenkai still are ruled.

KULDJA RUSSIAN AND KULDJA CHINESE.

My coming to Kuldja had been provided for and a lodging hired in what were pronounced the best quarters in the town. Let no one suppose, however, that this signifies apartments palatial; but rather an empty room in a native house, large indeed and airy, with glazed windows, and walls recently whitewashed to the bone.

The eminent British antiquary Sir Charles Giesecke, says that numerous ruins exist in Southern Greenland, which are evidently relics of Norsemen who dwelt there centuries before Columbus discovered America.

There are six tunnels in the world which have a length exceeding 21,000 feet—St. Gotthard, Mont Cenis, Hoosier, Senn, Nochtislong and Suis. St. Gotthard, the longest, is 4,840 feet; Suis, the shortest, is 21,120 feet.

The oldest house in the United States is said to be a stone dwelling standing in the town of Guilford, Conn. It was built in 1610 and is still occupied. It was a refuge for settlers during the dark days of King Philip's war.

The English sparrow was introduced into the United States in 1853. Now he ravages thirty-seven States and six Territories, comprising an area of 835,000 square miles, and in Canada he is familiar over 160,000 square miles of territory.

If division of the real estate of the globe was made, each one would only have a small lot. Some one has figured it out that taking the whole land surface of the globe into consideration, there is, on an average, twenty-two and one-half acres to each person.

English Consul, nothing could have been kinder or more helpful; I was now free to look about the town, which, since my former visit in 1888, had been given back to the Chinese, who had transferred the capital of the Hsi valley to Sining, called by the Russians Sudun. Accordingly, the Tsar's chieftains and troops, having been withdrawn, the town was too large for its present inhabitants, and numbers of houses, which before were full to overflowing with Europeans, were now empty and crumbling to decay. This change was less noticeable perhaps in the Tarchchi, or native quarters, where the flat earthen roofs, frequently used for storage, afford an interesting aspect, though their dreariness is relieved here and there by verdure, and the movement of the human below. Moreover, the Tarchchi bazaar differs from others of Central Asia, further west, in that the women go about unveiled. The Tarchchi women wear Turkish khilats, while the Dungan women, their sister in creed though not in race, wrap themselves in robes of Chinese cut that fold across and button at the side. Both wear low, stiff, cylindrical hats with conical tops; but these are for summer or home wear. Others appear in large hats of fur. Perhaps it is hardly fair to compare Kuldja under the Russians with Kuldja under the Chinese, since this town is no longer the capital. Otherwise the place has unmistakably deteriorated. The Russian Governors in Turkistan appear to take more or less interest in the education and development of the natives, whereas the remark made to me, locally, of Chinese mandarins in general, was to the effect that their one object is to enrich themselves as speedily as possible, and, provided this is done, all else may go "to the dogs."

At the same time I ought to add that I saw indications to the contrary, and heard of public testimonials being presented to certain mandarins whose administration appeared to me, locally, of Chinese mandarins in general, was to the effect that their one object is to enrich themselves as speedily as possible, and, provided this is done, all else may go "to the dogs."

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## Commercial.

### LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—170 per cent. premium, buyers.  
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £1.10 paid up—80 per cent. div., sales and buyers.  
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$220 per share, sellers.  
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$1.10 per share, sellers.  
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$115 per share, sellers.  
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 R—2½ per cent. premium, sellers.  
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent. premium, buyers.  
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—14 per cent. premium.  
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$90 per share, buyers.  
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$61 per share, buyers.  
North China Insurance—Tls. 255 per share, buyers.  
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$106 per share, buyers.  
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$102, buyers.  
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$325 per share, sellers.  
China Fire Insurance Company—\$91 per share, sales and sellers.  
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$34 per share, sellers.  
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—45 per share, sellers.  
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—25 per cent. discount, sales and sellers.  
Douglas Steamship Company—\$35 per share, sales and buyers.  
The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.  
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$81 per cent. premium, sellers.  
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sales and sellers.  
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.  
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$8 per share, sales and buyers.  
The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.  
The Shamian Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.  
Punjum and Sunghee Dua Sampanas Mining Co.:—\$2 per share, sales and sellers.  
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—60 cents per share, sales and sellers.  
Inurus Mining Co., Limited—\$9½ per share, buyers.  
The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.  
Tonqua Coal Mining Co.—\$240 per share, sellers.  
The Jelber Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$4 per share, buyers.  
The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—40 cents per share, sellers.  
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$10, sellers.  
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$174 per share, sales and buyers.  
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$53 per share, sellers.  
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$19 per share, sellers.  
Cruckshank & Co., Limited—nominal.  
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and sellers.  
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.  
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The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$23 per share, buyers.  
The Labuk Planting Co., Limited—nominal.  
The China-Borneo Co., Limited—nominal.  
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$40 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$65 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$108 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.  
Hongkong Ice Company—\$80 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$75 per share.  
The Hongkong British and Cement Co., Limited—\$10 per share, nominal.  
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$14 per share, sellers.  
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.  
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$25 per share, nominal.  
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$65 per share, buyers.

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### MAILS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mail, &c., from San Francisco to the 1st ultimo, left Yokohama on the 8th instant, and may be expected here on the 14th.  
THE CANADIAN MAIL.  
The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Empress of Japan*, from Vancouver, left Shanghai on the morning of the 8th instant, and is due here on the 10th.  
THE OCEAN'S STEAMSHIP CO.'S STEAMER *Aegir* arrived last Saturday, on the afternoon of the 6th instant, and is due here on the 10th.  
The Amaro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer *Maria Theresa* left Singapore on the 7th instant, and is due here on the 12th.

## CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

8th December, 1891. At 4 p.m.

STATION.	W.	N.	E.	S.	W.	N.	E.	S.
Whampoa	10.44	11	10	11	10.44	11	10	11
Shanghai	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11
Fusheen	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11
Tony	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11
Wusong	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11
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Macau	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11
Swatow	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11
Macau	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11
Cape St. James	10.49	11	10	11	10.49	11	10	11

9th December, 1891. At 10 a.m.

STATION.	W.	N.	E.	S.	W.	N.	E.	S.
Whampoa	10.44	11	10	11	10.44	11	10	11
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## Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Swatow and Bangkok—Per *Lo Soh* tomorrow, the 10th instant, at 3.30 A.M.  
For Europe, &c., India, &c., via Bombay—Per *Rotis* tomorrow, the 10th instant, at 11.00 A.M.  
For Nagasaki—Per *Asagao* tomorrow, the 10th instant, at 3.30 P.M.  
For Swatow, Amoy, and Tamsui—Per *Hai-long* tomorrow, the 10th instant, at 3.00 P.M.  
For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Versova*, on Friday, the 11th instant, at 11.30 A.M.  
For Kobe—Per *Oscarthal* on Friday, the 11th instant, at 11.30 A.M.  
For Straits and Bombay—Per *Blaugne* on Monday, the 14th instant, at 11.00 A.M.  
For Europe, &c., Australia, India, &c., via Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius—Per *Satsuma* Wednesday, the 16th instant, at 11.00 A.M.  
For Singapore—Per *Spalding* on Thursday, the 17th instant, at 9.30 A.M.  
For Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco—Per *City of Rio de Janeiro* Saturday, the 19th instant, at 12.30 P.M.  
For Europe, &c., &c.—Per *Premier* on Saturday, the 19th instant, at 2.00 P.M.

## SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

### STEAMERS.

ALWYN, German steamer, 100, C. Petersen, 8th Dec.—Pahoa 7th, Hohio 7th Dec.

GENERAL—Wieder & Co.

ALADAO, Japanese steamer, 1,521, H. Seitz, 8th Dec.—Nagasaki 10th December, Coal.

MITSU BISHI COLLIERY.

ELIZA, German steamer, 747, M. Jebsen, 8th Dec.—Canton 8th December, General.

FAIRY, British steamer, 117, Captain McLean, Hongkong Government tender.

FRIDAY, German steamer, 854, H. Brorsen, 7th Dec.—Canton 8th December, General.

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JOHN DEE, Norwegian steamer, 2,180, H. Hansen, 7th Dec.—Katchinotra 1st Dec., Coal.

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